

APPENDIX M

LACDHS Follow-up Monitoring Protocol

(This protocol is attached as reference only. See Section 4.2 for accelerated testing procedures following an exceedance.)

- A. All information and actions taken shall be recorded in a log maintained by the Recreational Health Program. In addition, the information shall be entered into a State Water Control Resource Board, Microsoft Access database.
- B. Elevated bacterial levels exist when any of the single sample standards are exceeded.
- C. When a sampling station exhibits elevated bacterial levels, when practicable, a resample shall be taken between 24-48 hours after the initial sample.
- D. When there is an elevated bacterial level the following guidelines shall be followed:
 - All storm drains continually discharging or intermittently discharging into the ocean during dry weather shall be posted with a white "Warning" (storm drain) sign at the point where the discharge meets the surf zone.
 - When a sampling station, in front of, or in proximity to a storm drain, exceeds single State standards, white "Warning" (storm drain) signs shall be posted at 50 and 100 yards on either side of the storm drain or where the point of discharge meets the surf zone. If not already posted, a white "Warning" (storm drain) sign shall be posted directly in front of the storm drain or where the point of discharge meets the surf zone. Posting patterns and distances may vary depending on bacteria levels and local geographic conditions.
 - When a sampling station, not in proximity to a storm drain, exceeds single State standards, a beige "Warning" sign shall be posted at the sampling station and 50 yards either side of the sampling station. Posting patterns and distances may vary depending on bacteria levels and local geographic conditions.
 - Areas with a chronic history of elevated bacteria levels exceeding State standards, may be posted continuously with either a beige or white "Warning" sign.

